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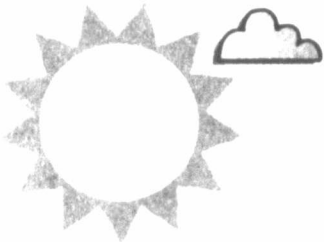
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Deaths

Robert A. Dinsmore, 57, prison employee.
Mary Nelson Gullmette, 80, educator.
David Killough, 81, retired Cabot employee.
Travis Lively, 84, services pending.

Local Briefs

Local API chapter to convene on Thursday, March 17

The Panhandle Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will convene its regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 17 at Pampa Country Club. The evening will begin with a social hour followed by the actual meeting at 7 p.m.

The keynote speaker will be Richard Spears of Spears and Associates. His topic will be "Oil Industry Forecast."

A Mexican food buffet will be served at a charge of \$15 per person. Attendees are encouraged to bring a guest. API memberships will be available at the door.

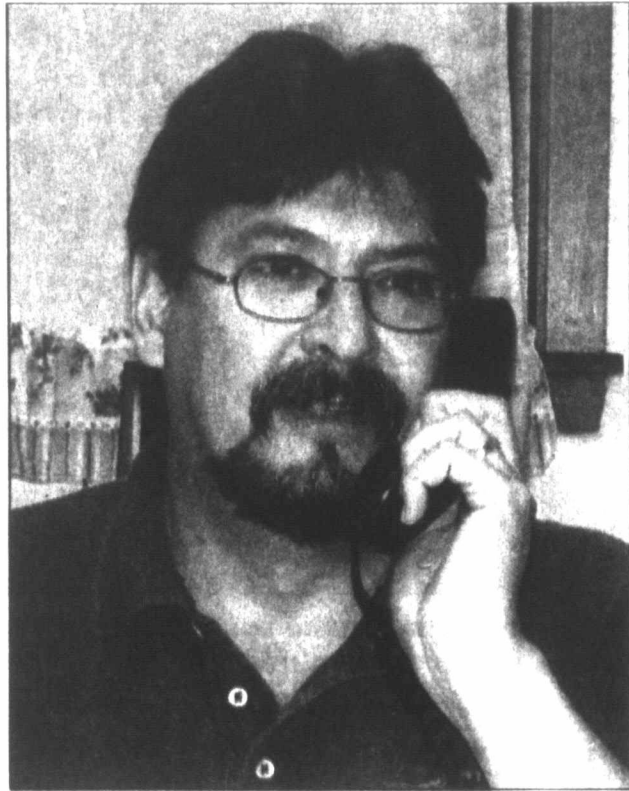
Door prizes will be awarded courtesy of Sanabi Oil Company and Top of Texas Oilfield Services.

Applications for scholarships now available at PHS

Scholarship applications are currently available from the Gene and Daniela Anderson Scholarship Foundation at Mrs. Lowrey's office at Pampa High School as well as Lovett Memorial Library.

Students making application must be a senior in good standing at PHS and be scheduled to graduate this May, must carry a minimum score of 1100 on the SAT or a 24 on the ACT. Applications require a copy of the student's PHS transcript and a college transcript if applicable.

The deadline to make application is Tuesday, March 29.



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Terry Harris, general manager of CableOne cable company in Pampa, answers telephone calls from area news media this morning concerning the proposed severing of ties with National Broadcasting Company's Amarillo affiliate, KAMR Channel 4.

Channel 4 no more?

CableONE won't pay to carry broadcast television

By MARILYN POWERS
 Staff Writer

KAMR television station in Amarillo plans to sever ties with CableONE cable television company at midnight March 31, if CableONE does not begin paying 30 cents per customer per month to KAMR as payment for carrying its broadcast signal.

The local NBC affiliate's web site has a letter addressed to CableONE customers from Vice President and General Manager Mark McKay which explains the situation between Channel 4 and Cable One.

"CableONE Communications, like all cable and satellite companies, makes payments to the companies that own and operate programming networks. They pay the owners of the programming channels

monthly fees, ranging as high as several dollars per month, for the right to carry the programming. CableONE Communications has made it very clear they do not want to pay any fees for the rights to carry KAMR," McKay said on the web site.

"Why should we pay for something that non-cable customers can get with an antenna? If we begin paying for this, then the other networks would want to receive their fair share, too. It's not just an issue of one channel," said Terry Harris, general manager of the Pampa CableONE office, in an interview this morning.

Unlike cable networks, the transmissions of television stations which broadcast over airwaves can be picked up by use of an antenna. These broadcast stations include CBS' Channel 10, ABC's Channel 7, and PBS' Channel 12 for Pampa viewers.

'Why should we pay for something that non-cable customers can get with an antenna?'

— Terry Harris
 Pampa CableONE

"In two of the last three years, we froze our rates. We announced over a month ago that there will be no rate increase for 2005. If we were to now have to start paying for broadcast stations, then we would have to raise our rates," Harris said.

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Lefors superintendent on administrative leave

By MARILYN POWERS
 Staff Writer

Joel Henry, superintendent of Lefors Independent School District, has been placed on administrative leave by school board members after submitting his resignation, effective June 30.

"He has resigned, and we've accepted his resignation. His resignation is effective June 30. He's been put on administrative leave effective March 9 until June 30," said Ken Miller, school board president, in a telephone interview Thursday after the school board met Tuesday, March 8.

Among the items on the board's agenda were action on the superintendent's contract and directives to the

superintendent.

"We just thought it was in the best interests of the school district," was all Miller would say when asked why the action concerning Henry was taken.

'We just thought it was in the best interest of the school district.'

— Ken Miller
 School board president

Community support for Henry was also on Tuesday's agenda, and Miller confirmed that some support for

Henry had been expressed at the meeting.

"We've set up a special meeting where we will be considering an interim superintendent. But we haven't gone into the process of looking at a replacement yet," Miller said.

A special meeting of the school board is scheduled for 5 p.m. Saturday, March 12 in the high school library, 209 E. 5th Street.

The agenda of the meeting states that it will be an executive session to consider a parent's request to address the board, and to consider hiring an interim superintendent.

Henry was named Lefors

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Texas House adjourns, delays considering \$10 billion tax bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas House gave final approval to an education overhaul package Friday that would pump \$3 billion more into public schools, but postponed debate on a massive tax bill.

The education bill was narrowly adopted, by a 75-69 vote, almost along party lines. The measure now is

eligible for consideration in the Senate.

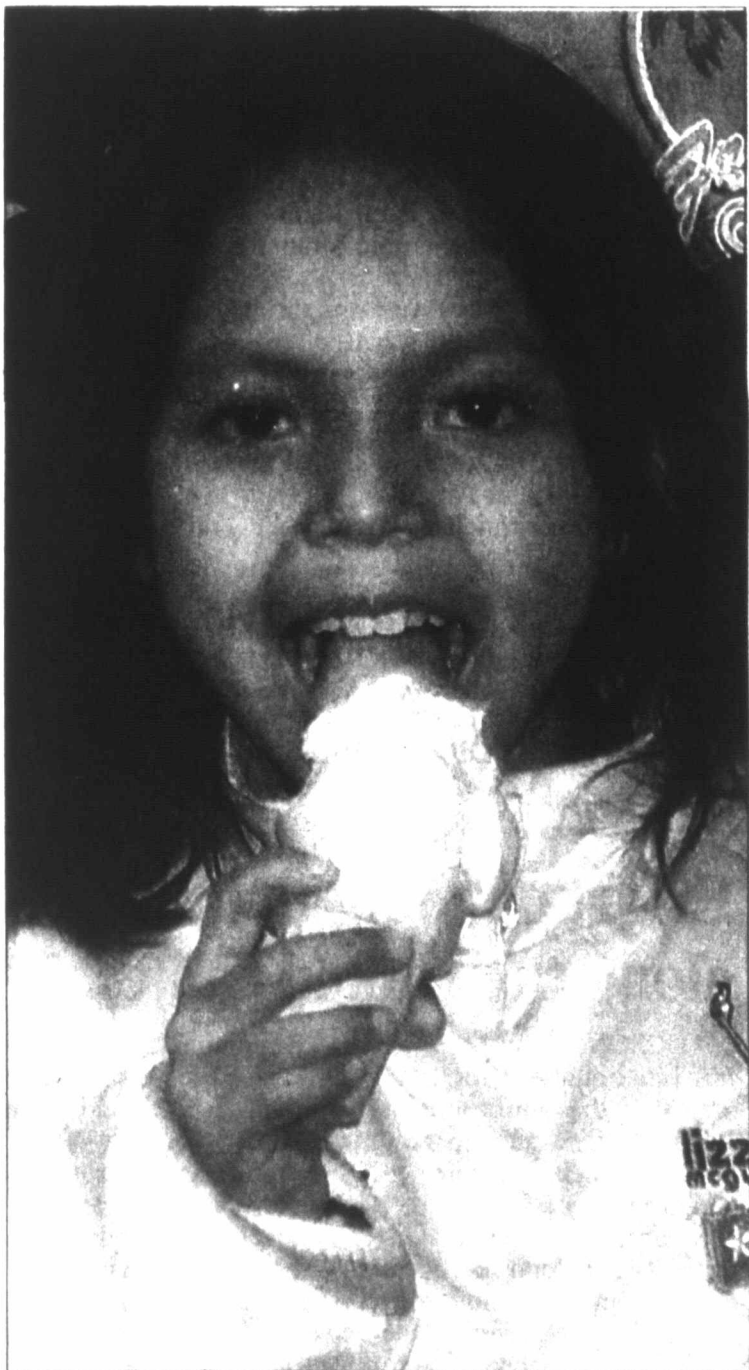
House leaders had planned to finish debate on a the \$10 billion tax bill Friday, but instead adjourned until Monday. House Speaker Tom Craddick said several members were concerned about possible loopholes in the language of the proposed

law that would adversely impact businesses in their districts.

"I don't want anybody to vote on something they don't understand," Craddick said.

Most Texans would see their tax burden increase under the sweeping plan.

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Sweet reward

Evelyn Resendez was one of Lamar Elementary School's "A" honor roll students who were treated Thursday afternoon to ice cream cones at Heard-Jones Health Mart. The students were also given yellow and purple balloons, the school's colors.

Former Pampan sees a centennial birthday

Longtime former Pampa resident Ruby C. Crocker observed her 100th birthday Wednesday, March 9, but plans to celebrate with a dinner Sunday at her grandson's home in Dallas.

Born March 9, 1905, Mrs. Crocker lived in Pampa more than 60 years. Her husband, H.E. Crocker Sr., died in 1969.

Many Pampans will remember Mrs. Crocker from Security Federal Savings and Loan Association, now First American Bank, where she worked as a teller for 25 years. After retiring from Security Federal, she worked at Pampa Hardware until the mid-1990s.

Through the years here, she was an active member of First Baptist Church, Business and Professional Women's Club and Credit Club. She enjoyed gardening and being a good friend and neighbor.

Mrs. Crocker's only son, H.E. Crocker Jr., died in December 2003. She then moved to the Dallas area to be near her daughter Frankie Hamilton, granddaughter Cindy Hamilton, and grandson Bill Hamilton and his wife Debbie.

She remains in good health and lives alone in an apartment complex in Coppell. She says she misses her home and many good friends in Pampa.



Former Pampa resident Ruby Crocker, foreground, is surrounded by her family, Frankie Hamilton, Cindy B. Hamilton, and Bill and Debbie Hamilton at a recent holiday gathering.

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Obituaries

Robert A. Dinsmore, 57

Robert A. Dinsmore, 57, of Pampa, died Tuesday, March 8, 2005, at Pampa. Graveside services are scheduled at 10 a.m. Saturday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Willard Kiper, chaplain of Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Jordan/Baten Units of Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Born March 24, 1947, at Wheeling, W.Va., Mr. Dinsmore moved to Pampa in 1980

where he worked for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice at the Jordan/Baten Units for the past 11 years. He was a Methodist. Survivors include a daughter, Chel Nietenhoef of Perkins, Okla.; two brothers, John Dinsmore of Irving and Michael Dinsmore of Euless; two sisters, Cindy Wood of Haltom City and Bonnie White of Graham; and two grandchildren. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Mary Nelson Guilmette, 80

Mary Nelson Guilmette, 80, of Saint Joseph, Mo., died Tuesday, March 8, 2005, at her daughter's home in Flower Mound, Texas. Born March 4, 1925 in St. Joseph, Mo., Mary was delivered by her grandfather, Dr. Thompson E. Potter. She grew up on a wheat farm in the panhandle of Texas and graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a BA in Radio Broadcasting. She chose a career in education teaching at the elementary level in Austin and Pampa, Texas, Japan, and Los Angeles over a span of 40 years. On March 20, 1953, she married Collin Scarborough Guilmette, a history professor, who preceded her in death. They met while teaching on an Army base in Sendai, Japan and later settled in Southern California until 1991 when they retired to the Nelson-Pettis Farmstead in St. Joseph, Mo. Due to Mary and Collin's efforts, the family farm was preserved and placed on the National Historic Register, the first farm district to achieve this status in the state of Missouri. It has been in the family since 1847.

Mrs. Guilmette is also preceded in death by her parents, Harry A. and Catherine (Potter) Nelson; two brothers, Harry Alfred, Jr. and John Henry Nelson; and her sister, Virginia Nelson Harvey. Survivors include: two daughters, Cathy McAdams of Flower Mound, Texas; Julie Guilmette of Toluca Lake, Calif.; five grandchildren, Collin, Mary, Emily and John McAdams and Maggie Davis; and one great-grandchild, Michael McAdams. Services are scheduled at 2 p.m. today, Friday, March 11, 2005, at First Lutheran Church. Interment will be in Nelson Family Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Meierhoffer Funeral Home, 5005 Frederick Boulevard, St. Joseph, MO 64506, 816-232-3366. The Family suggests memorial gifts to the Susan Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, 341 West 48th Street, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10018, or the Collin Guilmette Memorial History Scholarship Fund, Glendale Community College, Attn: Scholarship Office, 1500 N. Verdugo Road, Glendale, CA 91208.

David Nathan Killough, 81

David Nathan Killough, 81, of Pampa, died Thursday, March 10, 2005, at Pampa. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Mr. Killough was born Feb. 19, 1924, at Terral, Okla. He married Billie Poteet on July 8, 1943, at Wellington. Mr. Killough lived in Pampa since 1950 and worked for Cabot Corporation for 35 years, retiring in 1985. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving in the Pacific during World War II.

He was a member of the Assembly of God Church and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Mr. Killough was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Melinda Hale; three brothers; and one sister. Survivors include his wife, Billie, of the home; two sons, Jerry Killough of Grand Prairie and Nathan Killough of Amarillo; a daughter, Linda Gilmer of Amarillo; a sister, Dovie Martin of Wellington; five grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Travis Lively, 84

Travis Lively, 84, of Pampa, died Friday, March 11, 2005, at Amarillo. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral

Directors of Pampa. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Services tomorrow

DINSMORE, Robert A. — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.
LEDBETTER, Edward Richard — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Citizens Cemetery, Clarendon.

Effort ongoing to improve environment along the United States, Mexico border

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — A binational effort to improve the environment along the U.S.-Mexico border is on track, according to organizers. Some 200 administrators from state, federal and local governments and nonprofit organizations from the United States and Mexico gathered here this week to discuss the progress of the Border 2012 program launched three years ago. They said cleaning up old tires, monitoring air quality and retrofitting school buses to cut pollution are some ways the border environment is being improved.

"I'm optimistic. I think we will far exceed our goals for Border 2012," said Jerry Clifford, a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency official and the group's national coordinator. The EPA awarded about \$1.8 million in grants last year to environmental projects along the border. Two grants — \$50,000 each from the EPA and the Bureau of Land and Management — are helping the Tohono O'odham Nation check the feasibility of building a recycling plant to deal with trash left by illegal immigrants cutting across tribal land and to create jobs.

Other grants went toward removing old tires in California and Baja California, monitoring air quality near Yuma and outfitting school buses in Nogales, Mexico, to reduce pollution. Communication, especially with research data, is a major issue for Border 2012. When researchers collect environmental data, they often use different methods or collect different data. That can create problems when funding is sought, said Hal Zenick, an EPA research and development administrator and co-chair of the Border 2012 environmental health work group.



This male cardinal basks in the sunshine dappling the branches of an evergreen tree.

Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high around 70. Wind chill values between 23 and 28 early. Windy, with a west northwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph. Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 38. Wind chill values between 31 and 36. West wind between 10 and 15 mph. Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 80. Wind chill values between 31 and 36 early. North northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph. Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 37. Wind chill values between 28 and 33. East northeast wind between 10 and 20 mph. Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 55. East wind between 10 and 20 mph. Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of rain.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents.

Thursday, March 10

Twenty-one traffic stops were made. Vehicle accidents were reported in the intersection of 19th and Russell streets, the intersection of 23rd and Hobart streets, and the 100 block of East Randy Matson. A hit and run accident was reported in the 400 block of Yeager. Two residential alarms and one business alarm were reported. Emergency medical services assistance was rendered in the 600 block of North Christy. Law enforcement assistance was rendered in the intersection of Crawford and Neel streets.

A suspicious person report was received from One Medical Plaza, the intersection of Pennsylvania and Mary Ellen streets, and the 500 block of East Francis.

A welfare check was made on Highway 60 East and twice in the 600 block of North Christy.

An information report taken in the 600 block of North Christy was forwarded to adult protective services.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of North Gray. A vehicle window was broken, for an estimated \$200 damage.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1900 block of North Faulkner, the 600 block of Roberta, and in the police department lobby.

Theft was reported in the 1300 block of west Kentucky.

A civil matter was reported in the 600 block of North Dwight and the 2200 block of North Russell.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of Vamon Drive.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart. The window of a vehicle was broken, for estimated damage of \$200.

Telephone harassment was reported from the 300 block of Miami.

Assault was reported at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester. No injuries were reported.

Assault was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

Assault by threat was reported in the 400 block of Carr.

Found property was reported in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive. A bag with a BB gun was found.

Disorderly conduct/other was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Disorderly conduct/noise was reported in the 500 block of Lowry.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents today.

Thursday, March 10

7:41 a.m. — A 1996 Chevrolet Lumina, driven by Jeffery Baker, 40, 1612 N.

Sumner, and a 1988 Mercury Grand Marquis, driven by Diana Laura Cabrales, 16, 721 N. West, collided in the intersection of 19th and Russell streets. Cabrales reported possible injury but was not transported by ambulance. Baker was cited for failure to yield right of way at a stop sign.

12:05 p.m. — A 2001 Ford Escort, driven by Mary L. Swift, 61, 1026 S. Reid, and a 1992 Dodge Shadow, driven by Britney C. Moutray, 40, 1112 Crane, collided in the intersection of 23rd and Hobart streets. No injuries were reported. Swift was cited for failure to yield right of way at a stop sign.

3:40 p.m. — A 2001 Pontiac Grand Am, driven by Jessica Torres, 34, Borger, and a 1994 Ford Explorer, driven by Judy A. Robertson, 62, 1035 Duncan, collided in the 100 block of West Randy Matson. No injuries were reported. Torres was cited for an improper left turn.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.

Thursday, March 10

Paul Andre Brown, 32, Denton County Jail, was arrested on a bench warrant.

Robert Scott Paradise, 26, San Angelo, was arrested on bond surrenders for burglary of a habitation and violation of a protective order.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, March 10

12:08 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a minor motor vehicle collision at 23rd and Hobart streets.

12:46 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 200 block of North Cuyler.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, March 10

7:46 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1900 block of Russell. No transport.

11:47 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

12:31 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1900 block of North Nelson and transported a patient to PRMC.

2:53 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1700 block of Aspen and transported a patient to PRMC.

6:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of North Christy and transported a patient to PRMC.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	3.35
Milo	3.38
Corn	3.93
Soybeans	5.63

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

OXY	71.37	+0.86
BP PLC ADR	64.72	+0.54

Cabot Corp	35.54	+0.37
Coca Cola	53.25	+0.28
VLO	42.77	-0.02
HAL	69.07	+0.08
TRI	40.60	0.41
NOI	45.62	+1.37
KMI	48.37	+0.76
XCEL	78.24	+0.24
Kerr McGee	17.85	-0.01
XOM	78.43	+0.44
Limited	60.92	+0.55
Williams	25.09	NSC
WILLIAMS	18.01	+0.22
MCD	32.78	+0.03

Atmos	27.87	-0.09
Pioneer Nat	42.36	+0.49
JCP	47.76	+0.23
COP	106.51	+0.95
SLB	73.17	+0.03
Tenneco	15.47	+0.14
CVX	59.07	+0.58
Wal-Mart	52.19	+0.04
OKE	30.85	+0.16
NS Grp	31.82	+1.39
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Silver	7.48	
West Texas Crude	53.54	

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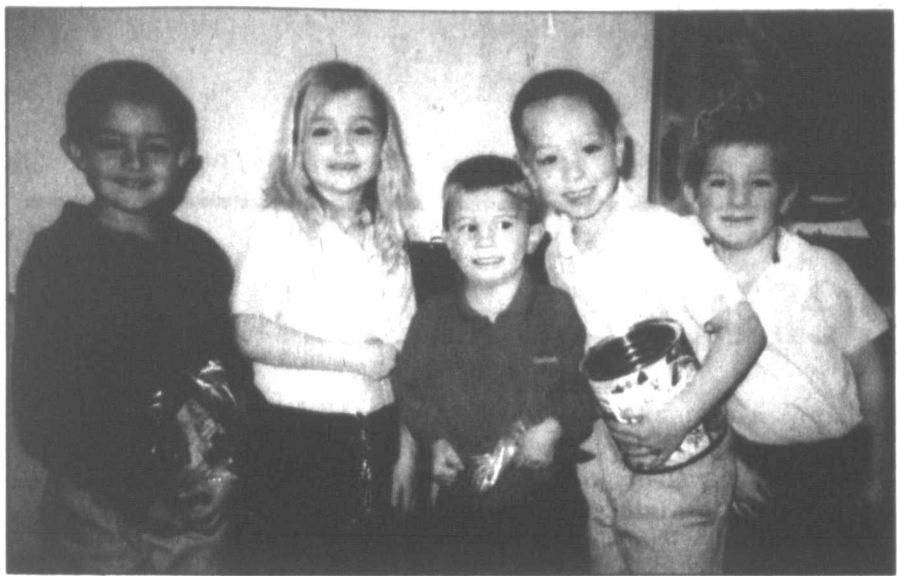
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Kindergarten students bring pennies in various containers for the Community Christian School Mission Focus offering. Camron Washington and Elise Kennedy brought their pennies in plastic bags. Bryson Troxell wraps his pennies in his shirt tail. Clayton Mitchell brings his pennies in a coffee can. Derek Norris brought his pennies in a shoe box.



First grade student, Nathan Ohsfeldt, sorts pennies from silver coins before making a deposit in the Mission Focus offering.



Sixth graders Jordan Mayhew, Jonathan Taylor and Samantha Kelley visits with Bethany Winter who serves with her parents as missionaries in Mexico. The Winter family visited CCS during Mission Focus Week.

Community Christian School students focus on missions

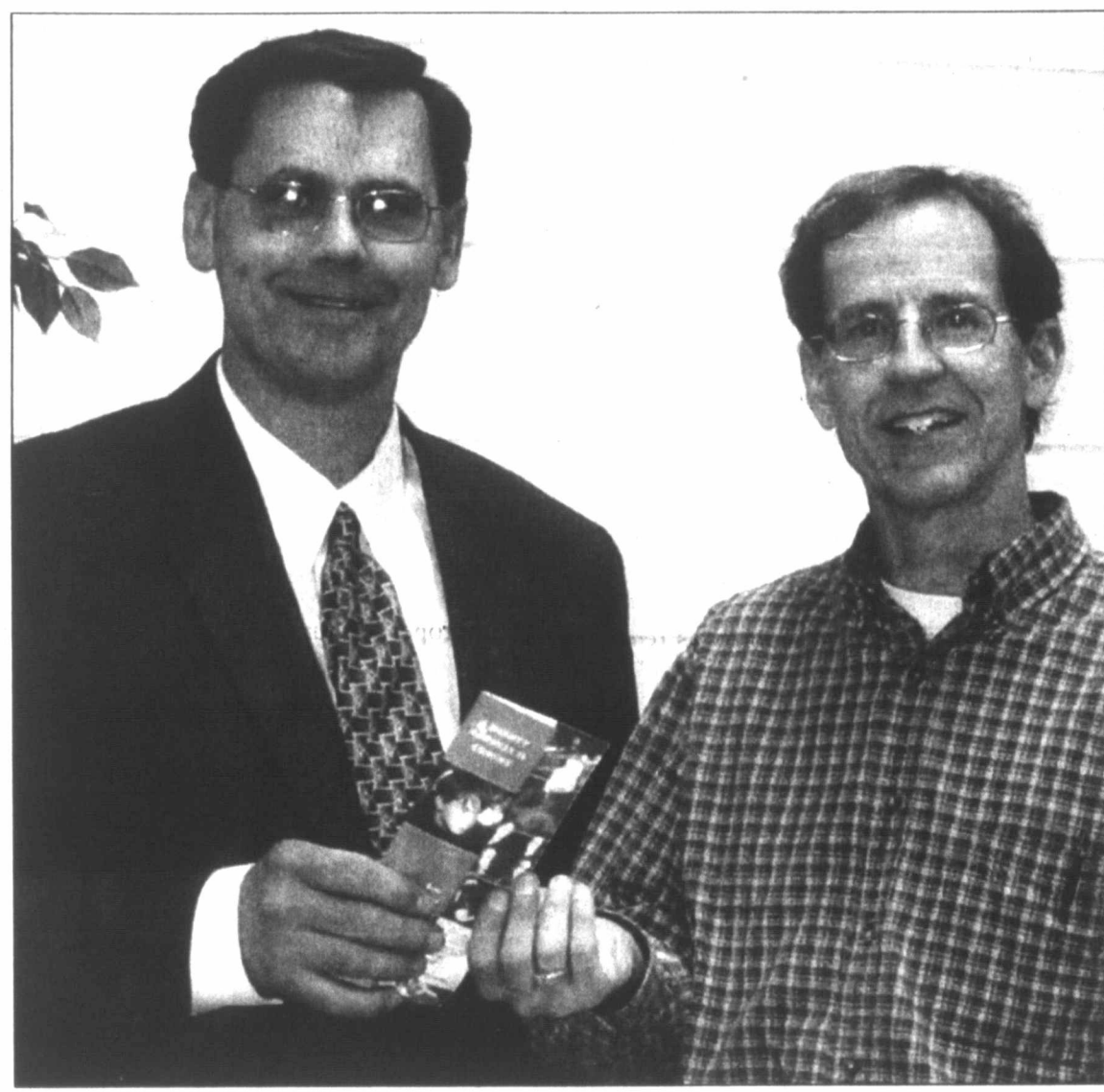
Community Christian School of Pampa observed Mission Focus Week, Feb. 28-March 4, with mission-related projects and programs. The mission project was the Day of Hope for Foreign Students sponsored by the Association of Christian Schools International headquartered in Colorado Springs, Colo. Community Christian School is a member of the ACSI organization which pro-

vides many services and support agencies for Christian schools around the world. During the week, Pampa CCS students and teachers met each morning for a mission-centered devotional and prayer season or other special event. On Wednesday morning, the Rev. and Mrs. Edward Oster and their children, and the Rev. and Mrs. Ron Winter and Bethany spoke and showed

pictures and films about their mission works. The Osters serve in Argentina and the Winter family serves in Mexico. Students participated in the Day of Hope mission offering by conducting a penny war. Students in each classroom brought their pennies and deposited them in the class bin each day. To make the penny war more interesting, other students could deposit silver coins

and paper money in the opposing class's bin which was then subtracted from the value of the pennies in the final tally. The fourth grade class won the penny war with an offering of \$127.67 in pennies plus \$68.85 in silver and paper money. The first grade class was runner-up with a total offering of \$183.93. A portion of the offering is sent to ACSI where it is used to provide materi-

als and supplies for students in Christian schools in foreign countries. Mission Focus Week also included cultural and geography studies and projects in each classroom. Mission Focus Week and Day of Hope project is an annual event at Community Christian School, and is a favorite project for students and teachers.



Pampa News photo by REDONN WOODS

Working for Impact World Tour

Gary Willoughby, left, and Gary Jameson, right, exchange information about Impact World Tour, a program to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to young people around the world. A group of local citizens and churches are raising \$58,000 needed to bring the tour to Pampa youth. So far, \$16,000 was raised and \$9,000 has been pledged toward the project, organizers say, and \$33,000 is still needed. Donations can be sent to Impact World Tour -Pampa, P.O. Box 1579, Pampa, Texas 79066. Checks can be made out to Impact World Tour -Pampa. To learn more about the program, visit www.impactworldtour.com.

Cable

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"We've never paid for broadcast stations. Nexstar is the only company I'm aware of that has asked for such payment," he said. Fox's Amarillo affiliate, Channel 9, is not affected by the dispute between KAMR and CableONE. The affiliate has had ties to KAMR. "There is a relationship there, but I don't know exactly what it is. We have an agreement with them. The only one we received notice on is the NBC affiliate," Harris said. CableONE customers who would no longer receive KAMR live in Borger, Pampa, Dumas, McLean, White Deer, Panhandle, Fritch, Stinnett and Sunray. "We've already said that we're not going to pay. We have tried to offer other

alternatives to come to an agreement. Nexstar has been negotiating through our corporate office," Harris said. The City of Pampa recently renewed its agreement with CableONE naming the company as the cable provider for Pampa, said City Manager John Horst in an interview this morning. "There's still a few years to run on it before it comes up again for renewal," Horst said. "We have no control over the programming. This is within CableONE's rights totally. I'm sure there must be provisions for ending the agreement (between CableONE and the city), but this would not be one of those provisions," Horst said of CableONE's decision not to pay for KAMR's broadcast. Nexstar has already made such demands in other communities served by CableONE in Missouri and Texas, according to a news

release from CableONE. CableONE estimates that Nexstar's demands would cost \$1.5 million over the next several years, according to the release. Since 1992, television stations have been allowed by Congress to grant or deny permission for cable television systems to carry their signals, according to the release. "We don't want to do this. But if they demand it, we have to comply. We find it unfortunate. It's a difficult decision, but our customers have told us rates are the most important thing," Harris said. CableONE is owned by The Washington Post company and operates 52 cable systems serving 720,000 subscribers in 19 states.

"We have no control over the programming. This is within CableONE's rights totally."

— John Horst
Pampa City Manager

Bill

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which would restructure the way businesses pay taxes, while levying a slate of new consumer taxes on Texans. The tax proposal is an effort to replace revenue from a school property tax relief measure. If the measure is approved, Texans would be paying a higher sales tax — up to 7.25 percent from the current 6.25 percent — and will be paying an additional 3 percent tax on snacks. A new \$1 tax on a pack of cigarettes also would be levied under the plan. Most of the revenue in the legislation would come from businesses, most of which now avoid paying the franchise tax through loopholes in the law. Under the proposal, the loopholes that now allow most Texas businesses to avoid paying would be closed. Businesses also

would be given the option of paying a new payroll tax of 1.15 percent. The bill's author, Republican Rep. Jim Keffer of Eastland, said the plan would "make Texas more efficient, more modern and more germane to the type of economy we have." Only Texans making more than \$100,000 a year would receive a net tax cut under the tax bill.

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Lefors

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ISD superintendent at the end of July, 2004, after Alan Law, who had been superintendent for about five years, resigned to accept a position as superintendent at Moody Independent School District. At the time of his hiring by Lefors ISD, Henry was serving as superintendent of schools at San Jon, N.M. The Pampa News was unable to find a telephone number or way to contact Henry for comment by press time today.

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Viewpoints

Does Pampa suffer from a general malaise?

My chapped arse is still grunted — though I've digressed from my disgruntledness, which I'm really trying to keep abated. It's really hard for yours truly to stay out of disgruntledness. Folks, when I read/hear the liberal media harping about Iraq, Martha Stewart, Michael Jackson, Robert Blake; and I encounter the ever-present blowing trash collecting in my parents yard. Yep, I will forever — harp — about Pampa's trash problem. Get over it and get used to it because I am not going to shut up.

We (citizens of Pampa) have a perpetual trash problem that is getting worse — not better. I guess its true — a disease always gets worse before it gets better? Yeah, citizens — and I use that term loosely — keep on tossing out that cigarette butt, that fast food cup, that used diaper, that plastic grocery bag ... I'm moving into disgruntledness; I know, but I know not what to do about this trash nightmare.

A speeding car approaching our soldiers at a checkpoint in Iraq is not heeding the warning to slow down

and stop. The car keeps on coming at breakneck speed — our soldiers open fire thinking — CAR BOMB — and kill an Italian secret services agent and wound the kidnapped newspaper reporter he has just rescued from Iraqi insurgents.

Now, Italians, according to some media pundits, are all atwitter over this latest "mistake" by our soldiers. And yes, Italy is one of our closest allies in the Iraq theengee. Tragic that the Italian secret service agent got himself killed — but, even more tragic is the circumstance how the Italian secret service agent got himself killed. The tragedy is the Italian secret service agent got himself killed after rescuing a kidnapped reporter for Il Manifesto — Italy's Communist newspaper. Isn't Iraq a war zone? Are not car bombs the favorite Iraqi insurgents means of killing American soldiers? It will be a crying shame if any soldier manning that particular checkpoint is reprimanded by his/her superiors. And, for the matter, why rescue a kidnapped Communist reporter? Isn't that Fidel's job?

Just once I would love to turn on television news — any station, for I'm not biased (yeah, right) — and hear nary a word about Michael Jackson, Martha Stewart, or Robert Blake. CNN last Sunday night was attempting to get my attention with this lead-in: "Find out everything you need to know about Martha Stewart." MSNBC wants me to answer their poll: "Do you think Michael Jackson is guilty/not guilty of child molestation charges?"

Fox News asked me this question: "Will Robert Blake be found guilty by the jury?"

And you wonder why my grunted arse is still chapped? I know — if it bleeds it leads. The arse is chapped because out there somewhere in our overly messed-up world, something good is happening. The trouble is that something good is relegated to the trivia fill-in columns of major newspapers or not printed at all and, the television media won't

mention anything good happening — ever.

Why hasn't this "something good" played out in the press? This "something good" is the democratic process being played out in the Middle East. First, against the comments of the liberal press; second, against Democrats' rhetoric — the Iraqi elections were a resounding success despite insurgents threats and suicide bombings. Seventy percent of Iraqis voted. Powder your



Dennis Palmitier
Columnist

chapped arse with that, liberal press and Ted Kennedy.

Next, Hasni Mubarak of Egypt is allowing opposition candidates to run against him in the upcoming Egyptian elections. There is quite a way to go for anything democratic to occur in Egypt, but, oh, Hasni, what a start. What's this? The Arab countries have gotten together to demand their brother — Syria — vacate all troops from Lebanon and keep the troops on Syria's side of the border.

Amazing. There is but one person to recognize for the fledging democratic process in the Middle East — George Bush. The liberal press and the Democrats cannot handle President Bush's success with democracy's toehold in Iraq and the awakening process with other Arab/Muslim countries. This fact is one of the reasons Democrats chap my arse. Oh, by the way, the liberal press has always chapped my arse.

Apathy and malaise really, really chap my arse. Today, there are so many critics of democracy from across the world; and, so many other forms of government have come — and failed — but what form of government has remained steadfast? Why, a democratic one, you apathetic nincompoops. It just chaps my arse to great amounts of Desitin Cream when I read about candidates for political office running unopposed. When it gets down to an unopposed candidate for any political office — can that be called a democratic process?

I always write in a name when I see an unopposed candidate on a ballot — then I vote my choice.

Malaise. Look it up in the dictionary. No, it's not that white stuff you swipe on bread as you make that Dagwood Special.

Let me explain "malaise" this way.

Think of feeling as if you're in a general funk — you're not physically well; somewhat febrile — dark clouds all around you — you feel lower than the proverbial whale poop. The funk so overwhelms you that you just don't care anymore. You accept the funk as an every day experience of life.

Why, I've just described Pampa, haven't I?

When I see the amount of trash lining our streets and yards — the amount of derelict and in use automobiles parked in front yards and on sidewalks — teenagers and adults littering as if it's second nature — businesses not controlling their litter and letting it roam our streets — I can think of only one appropriate word — malaise.

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Today in History

By the Associated Press

Today is Friday, March 11, the 70th day of 2005. There are 295 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 11, 1942, as Japanese forces continued to advance in the Pacific during World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur left the Philippines for Australia, vowing: "I shall return." (He kept that promise nearly three years later.)

On this date:

In 1810, Emperor Napoleon of France was married by proxy to Archduchess Marie Louise of Austria.

Our readers write

Looking at satellite TV

I am very concerned about the issue between Cable One and KAMR Channel 4. I think it is time the City Commissioners begin to look for another cable company to replace Cable One. The prices we pay for the poor choice of channels is outlandish. I would like to see at least two companies in this area so there is more competition money-wise.

I have written to Cable One requesting a rate decrease since I won't be getting one of the stations that I have been paying for the last 20-plus years. Citizens of Pampa, unless

you want to have to by an antenna or switch to satellite TV then you need to start calling Cable One, the city commissioners and even the Washington Post (who owns Cable One) and demand a rate decrease or settle up with Nextel and not increase our rates at the same time.

Go to the KAMR website and read the forum there. There are also questions and answers from both Cable One and KAMR concerning this issue. Then start writing and calling.

I have every intention of looking into satellite alternatives. I figure that if I must pay the price I am paying, I might as well get the stations I really want for that same price.

Kelley Bowers
Pampa

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The rule of judges vs. rule of law

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that minors under 18 cannot be executed, no matter how heinous their crimes. The ruling overturned 72 death sentences in 12 states.

The ruling came after Missouri's highest court overturned the death sentence given to Christopher Simmons, who was 17 in 1993 when he kidnapped a neighbor, Shirley Crook, hog-tied her and while she was still alive threw her off a bridge to drown. Prosecutors say he planned the burglary and killing of the woman. This murderous thug had bragged that he could get away with the brutal killing because of his age. The Supreme Court proved he was right.

Speaking for the majority in a 5-4 decision, Justice Anthony Kennedy noted most states don't allow the execution of juvenile killers and those that do use the penalty infrequently. The trend, he said, is to abolish the practice because "our society views juveniles ... as categorically less culpable than the average criminal."

Incredibly he invoked "international opinion" as a justification for letting teenage killers off the hook.

"It is proper that we acknowledge the overwhelm-

ing weight of international opinion against the juvenile death penalty, resting in large part on the understanding that the instability and emotional imbalance of young people may often be a factor in the crime," he wrote.

In his blistering dissent, an outraged Justice Antonin Scalia argued that there is no trend and chastised his colleagues for taking power from the states.

"The court says in so many words that what our people's laws say about the issue does not, in the last analysis, matter: 'In the end our own judgment will be brought to bear on the question of the acceptability of the death penalty,'" he wrote.

"The court thus proclaims itself sole arbiter of our nation's moral standards," Scalia wrote.

And by allowing "international opinion" to color their rulings, the justices have thrown both the Constitution of the United States and our national sovereignty into the trash heap.

This ruling proves once again that Mark Levin was right when he wrote that in

everything from same-sex marriage, illegal immigration, and economic socialism to partial birth abortion, political speech, and terrorists' "rights," judges have abused their constitutional mandate by imposing their personal prejudices and left-wing beliefs on the rest of society.

According to Levin, no radical political movement has been more effective in undermining our system of government than the judiciary.

And we, the people, should not put up with it he insists.

And it's not merely the

Supreme Court. Judges across the country — from the radical Ninth Circuit Court in California, that ruled the Pledge of Allegiance violates the mythical separation of church and state and is therefore an assault on the Constitution, to the Massachusetts Supreme Court that was able to find grounds supporting the absurd notion that homosexuals have a right to be legally married — judges are assuming the role of tyrants, casting aside the rule of law for their own prejudices.

Under our system of con-

stitutional government, the right to make law is restricted to the federal and state legislatures. Today, however, both the federal and state judiciaries have taken it upon themselves to make law, and to do so without regard to the public's will as expressed by the Congress, and by state and local legislatures. The people's right of self-government is therefore usurped by the judiciary which becomes nothing short of a dictatorship.

Moreover, a judiciary that turns its back on the Constitution and the laws of the land to embrace foreign law and international opinion is a dagger pointed at the heart of individual liberty.

As Mark Levin writes, the idea has taken hold that Supreme Court Justices are somehow imbued with greater insight, wisdom, and vision than the rest of us — and that for some reason Almighty God has endowed them with superior judgment about justice and fairness. That idea must be abandoned. Nothing less than our freedom and our national sovereignty are at stake.

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By Dr. J. Pastor

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In doing I intend to tear down religious denominations only to tell stories of The Church fully help you better understand your Mormon. There are certainly many people about The Church would like Obviously I care everything that heard, but I select few things

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Religion

First Baptist Church invites public to join prayer meeting

By Dr. Johnny Funderburg
Pastor, First Baptist Church

We have all heard that there is "power in prayer." We have heard that a "person is never more effective than when he is on his knees." Well, here at First Baptist Church, we really believe that these pithy sayings are more than just folklore.

Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. is the kind of prayer service where God's power has been seen and is certainly felt. Already we have seen so many wonderful answers to our requests that they are too numerous to list.

There is certainly nothing special about us — but there is about our God. For reasons

known only to Him, God has been smiling on us at First Baptist. His hand of blessing, healing, salvation, and restoration has been shown to us over these last days. Much of it, if not most of it, seems to have come through our prayers on Wednesday night.

So this is an invitation. Do you have a need — perhaps it is physical, financial, emotional or relational? Would you be comfortable allowing us to help you present it to the Lord? Do you enjoy seeking God in prayer? Come join with us. We would love for your voice to join ours — for your faith to come into the mix with ours.

Come, help us reach heaven. Come, let us lift you up. Come, find God's answers to your deepest needs.

Understanding 'Mormons'

Most likely anybody that reads this article has at one point in their life had contact with missionaries from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (a.k.a., the Mormons). I happen to be one of those missionaries, and in this article I hope to shed some light on why we do what we do. What is so important that, at the age of 19, we are willing to give up two years of our life to go out and share the message we have?

In doing this, I do not intend to tear down other religious denominations. I wish only to tell some of the beliefs of The Church that will helpfully help you, the reader, to better understand some of your Mormon neighbors. There are certain things that many people have heard about The Church that I would like to discuss. Obviously I cannot go over everything that you may have heard, but I will discuss a select few things.

A topic common to all Christian religions is that of Jesus Christ. We in The Church believe in Jesus Christ and revere him as our Savior and Redeemer. We acknowledge his atonement, and are eternally grateful for the blessings it entitles us to. We are also grateful for the things he did during his earthly ministry, namely establishing his Church here on Earth.

We learn of this Church in Ephesians 4:11 and 12, where it reads: "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ."

In the following verses it goes on to explain that these things were given so that the people will come in a "unity of faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God..."

Also in Ephesians 3:19 and 20, it talks more of the structure of The Church. It reads: "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone."

What we learn in these verses is that Jesus Christ established a church, and it was founded upon the "foundation of apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone." We know Jesus Christ was crucified, ending his mortal ministry, but he was still the corner stone of the Church. He continued to govern The Church through revelation to the apostles.

The authority by which the apostles were called is God's priesthood. This priesthood was used for the governing of The Church, and was the power by which ordinances of salvation, such as baptism, could be performed. The priesthood could only be

maintained and exercised on principles of righteousness, and following the crucifixion the world was in a state of wickedness. Just as the Savior was rejected and crucified, the apostles were rejected and killed. Because of the wickedness of the world, the Lord removed the priesthood from the earth, and did not call new apostles. The only place the priesthood was to be found was in the Heavens.

This pattern of The Church being on the earth, and then the people turning to wickedness can be seen throughout the Bible. Every time the apostles are rejected and The Church falls, it is known as an apostasy. After the Savior was crucified and the apostles were killed it started what was known as the Great Apostasy because it was the longest apostasy in history. It left the world in a state of darkness for centuries, and is known in history books as the dark ages. The only way to bring the world out of this darkness

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would be to restore the light of the gospel.

This means that there would need to be more than just a Reformation of The Church, there would need to be an entire Restoration of The Church. To reform, means to change something that already exists, but to restore means to bring back something to its original form, something that may have been lost or changed.

This Restoration was brought about by the Prophet Joseph Smith. He was a young boy who sincerely desired to know what church he should join. He studied trying to find the answer, he talked with ministers and preachers, but nowhere could he find an answer for which church he should join. He took his question to the bible where he read the verse found in James 1:5, which reads: "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him."

After much contemplating on this verse, Joseph did as James directed and asked of God. He resorted to a grove of

trees near his house and began to pray. As he began to pray, a miraculous experience happened. He received a divine manifestation in which he was instructed to join none of the churches. He was told that he would be the Lord's instrument in restoring The Church to the earth.

Following this experience, the Lord continued to prepare Joseph for the task of restoring The Church. After a few years of preparation, the Restoration commenced. One of the many tasks Joseph had been prepared for was that of bringing forth the Book of Mormon.

Something to understand about the Book of Mormon is that Joseph Smith did not write it. People who anciently inhabited the American continent wrote the Book of Mormon. Joseph Smith was only called to translate the Book of Mormon from the language of the ancient Americans into English. One other thing to also understand is that the Book of Mormon does not replace the Bible. It is a second testimony that Jesus is the Christ, and is to be used with the Bible, not in place of it.

Later in the Restoration, the time came for the priesthood to be restored. Just as Joseph Smith was the means of bringing forth the Book of Mormon, he was also the means of restoring the priesthood. Joseph Smith was visited by a heavenly messenger who conferred God's priesthood upon him, thus bringing it back from the Heavens to the earth. With the priesthood restored, The Church could be restored because the power by which it was governed was on earth again.

This is a small part of the message that I, and thousands of other missionaries are out sharing. It is why we are standing on your porch, hoping to be able to come in and talk with you. It is dear to our hearts, and we are blessed enough to be able to go and share it with the world. Thank you for desiring understanding and may the Lord bless you.

If you would like more information concerning The Church, the missionaries can be reached at 806-669-7754, and are more than willing to talk. We also have weekly services on Sunday that begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 12 p.m. The Church building is located at 429 E. 29th Ave. in Pampa. Visitors are welcome.



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Sports Day

Harvesters, Longhorns: tonight's winner moves on to 3-4A post-season

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa Harvesters and Caprock Longhorn soccer teams will take the field at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo tonight with the third and final 3-4A playoff spot waiting the winner.

Game time is 7 p.m. For Harvester head coach Byron May, the key to victory can be summed up in a name — Tomas Vargas. "If we eliminate him, we've given ourselves a chance to steal one

from these guys." "Vargas is district MVP material. He's big and fast, and sometimes it feels like he is playing on both ends of the field, so that can be really frustrating for the rest of us in the district," said May.

Vargas was virtually a one man wrecking crew the last time the two teams met. "He put in a score within the first 5 minutes last time we played, and ended up with 4 goals by the time everything was said and done," May

said. He continued, "We can still take a lot of positives out of that game, though. We took more shots than they did, we got a red card — so we had to play with one less man on the field."

May is quick to note that the game was tied with 10 minutes left before Caprock managed to take advantage of a bad Pampa break with under five minutes to play. "So it's not like these guys blew us off the field."

May says — aside from the obvious — there are a number of reasons tonight's game should be exciting, but notes, "Mostly because a playoff team is on the field. We just have to slug it out to see which one

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— Byron May
Head Coach, PHS Boy's Soccer

deserves it."

Lady Harvesters
Coach Jeff Quisenberry and his Lady Harvester soccer team will wrap up the season on the road this afternoon. Pampa travels to Amarillo to face Caprock at Dick Bivins Stadium. That game should get under way at 5 p.m.

The PHS seniors pictured to the right will be taking the soccer field for their last regular season game tonight. They are, from left to right, top row- Drew Morrison and Austin Morgan. Middle row- Mark Murray and Clayton Hall. Bottom row- Adam Brown, Chera Chavedo and Diana Resendiz. Not pictured- Beth Adams.



Spark-ling smiles



The sixth grade Pampa Sparks basketball team wears the medals and holds the trophy won for taking third at the Gruver Tournament held March 3 and 4. The team will next play at Spearman March 18-20. Pictured are, from left to right, top row- Taryn Eubank, Shaylee Thompson, Kylee Wyatt and Cori Cook. Middle row- Holly Gage, Kayla Hughes, Kay Kirkham and Ashlee Holland. Bottom row- Coach Kelly Wyatt and Coach Bob Cook.

Big numbers should make for an excellent season of Pampa Optimist Youth Club baseball/softball

"Registration for Pampa Optimist Baseball/Softball 2005 soared past 500 with 170 more players signing up to play this season," Ronnie N. Haynes, Optimist President, exclaimed late Thursday.

Late sign-ups and tryouts will be held March 22, 23 and 24 at the Optimist Club.

"We now have 506 players signed up," Haynes said. "That includes a complete team from Miami in our 5-6 T-Ball League. Clarendon has indicated that it will be bringing a Babe Ruth team for the third year in a row. I understand that Lefors has a team for the 5-6 T-Ball League. We are expecting Claude and Panhandle to bring about 100 players forming teams for Babe Ruth competition, 11-12 Cal Ripken, 9-10 Cal Ripken and T-Ball. We do not have the fig-

ures yet from Fort Elliott, Wheeler and McLean, but we are excited about their participation this year."

"We have 135 players in the 5-6 T-Ball League and 77 in the Pitching Machine League," said Dori Miller, the commissioner for the leagues.

"The 9-10 Cal Ripken League and the 11-12 Cal Ripken each have 63 players registered," Haynes said. "With the teams from Claude and Panhandle, we expect to have eight teams playing in each league this year."

Haynes continued, "We have 39 kids from Pampa and Miami signed up in the Babe Ruth League. "We should have at least seven teams in that league this year counting Clarendon, Claude and Panhandle."

Optimist Girls' Softball had its biggest day of registration

with 13 in the 7-9 League, 18 in the 10-12 League and 10 in the Senior League for girls 13 to 15 years of age. "That makes a total of 119 girls signed up," Haynes said. "Miami is still working on a 7-9 Girls' Softball team."

At the present time Miami has the largest number of players not from Pampa with 40. "Yesterday I got a call about two girls moving from Dallas who want to play in our girls' program," Haynes said. "Less than five minutes later I got a call about two more girls moving from Oklahoma who wanted to reserve spots in our program."

Haynes continued, "It is important that boys and girls who have not signed up yet get in touch with me at 665-6859 or Kevin Davis at 665-7843."

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Lady Harvesters play for bragging rights at Borger

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa Lady Harvesters will travel to Borger for the rubber game of what has become a competitive rivalry between the two teams.

They split a pair of games early in the season, so this one should be interesting. "This is definitely a big game tonight. We have

always had the rivalry with Borger, and this game will be for bragging rights this year," said Pampa coach Bobbi Gill. "Tonight will come down to who brings their A-game and finishes."

Today's game will follow the junior varsity game which gets under way at 4 p.m.



Sophomore catcher Logan Winkelman, tripled and drove in a run against Tascosa Tuesday. She and Lady Harvester teammates are in Borger this afternoon.

Photo by STEPHEN ROGERS

South Oak Cliff too tall an order for PD

AUSTIN (AP) — Kevin Rogers scored 19 points, grabbed 12 rebounds and Dallas South Oak Cliff raced into the Class 4A state final with a 76-57 win over Amarillo Palo Duro on Thursday night.

Jerel Hastings scored 17 points and Darrell Arthur added 11 points and 10 boards for South Oak Cliff (31-7), which shot 53 percent from the floor and used its size and athleticism to take over the game in the fourth quarter. Rogers has signed with Baylor and Arthur is considered one of the top

junior recruits in the nation. Both are 6-foot-9.

Palo Duro had hoped to counter that size with wiry point guard Arthur Johnson, an Oklahoma signee, who is already regarded as one of the greatest players to come out of the Amarillo area. Johnson scored 20 and Justin Mason scored 19 but Palo Duro (29-4) was overmatched in the paint 56-26 as South Oak Cliff spent much of the fourth quarter flying to the basket for dunks.

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ANGEL SHIRTS

T-shirts, window stickers help raise funds for Amy Youree scholarship fund

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

In yesterday's Sports Day, we included a picture of the Lady Harvester softball team sporting unique T-shirts in remembrance of the late Amy Youree. We have since had requests for information on how these shirts can be obtained.

The shirts feature "Our Angel Is In the Infield" in either pink or lime green on the front, and Amy's name and haloed jersey number (4) on the back. They are available in long or short sleeve at Holmes Sports Center, with \$2 from each shirt sold going to the Amy Youree Scholarship Fund.

Window stickers are also available at a cost of \$5 with all proceeds going to the fund. The stickers are available at Homes, and via the Softball Booster Club.

Rivera undergoes back surgery

IRVING, Texas (AP) — A week after receiving a \$9 million signing bonus, Dallas Cowboys offensive lineman Marco Rivera underwent surgery to repair a bulging disk in his lower back. He's expected to return in time for training camp.

Rivera had the procedure done Thursday, just a few days after feeling pain while jogging on a treadmill. The injury occurred while he was in Baltimore to be honored as the Green Bay Packers' recipient of last season's Ed Block Courage Award.

He let the Cowboys know what had happened

and was flown in for an examination by team doctors. They decided to do the procedure now, leaving him plenty of recovery time before the season.

Rivera, who turns 33 next month, hasn't missed a game the past six seasons. Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said Rivera's durability was among the reasons he gave the veteran a \$20 million, five-year contract. He'll be the starting right guard, anchoring the side of the line where Dallas struggled most last season.

The Cowboys have had a mixed history with key players having offseason back surgery.

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Under Babe Ruth rules we are allowed a maximum of 15 players per team in most leagues. We will be recruiting coaches and determining the number of teams in each league next week because we want to have all of our coaches in place before try-outs.

Practices are expected to begin in most leagues on March 28 with games beginning in some leagues as early as April 11.

"We will be forming new teams in several leagues this season," Haynes said. "We will need sponsors for those teams. Businesses interested in sponsoring a team should contact John Warner at 669-3397. "The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency. It has been providing sports programs for youth in this area for more than 50 years. "We are proud of our past," Haynes said, "But we are even more excited about the prospect of having the largest number of players participate this year in more than 30 years."

Hockey labor talks resume

NEW YORK (AP) — The NHL and the players' association returned to the bargaining table Friday, hoping now to try to save next season.

The meeting that began around noon in Toronto, was the first between the sides since Feb. 19 — three days after commissioner Gary Bettman canceled the 2004-05 season.

That session had Wayne

Gretzky and Mario Lemieux in the room, but the presence of the Hall of Famers-turned-owners wasn't enough to help broker a deal and overturn Bettman's historic announcement.

Bettman and players' association executive director Bob Goodenow were back at the table Friday after sitting out the last session.

Picture perfect



Photo by SYNDA FOREMAN

With an impressive season opener of fast breaks and relentless defense, the LRS basketball team of 5th and 6th graders established itself as one to be reckoned with, cruising to an undefeated 12-0 season, claiming the POYC League Championship. Pictured are from left to right, front row- Cole Engle, Jacob Boyd, Zack Murray, Channar Clendennen and Rhett Skinner. Back row- Coach Jad McGuire, Tyler Malone, Evan Meschke, Hudson Bentley, Shane Smith and Coach Martin Avila.

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The first half was tight with neither team building a lead larger than six points. South Oak Cliff tried to ramp up the atmosphere as Rogers and Arthur threw down a pair of rim-rattling dunks in the second quarter, but Palo Duro matched them nearly basket for basket.

South Oak Cliff, which trailed most of the first quarter, was on the verge of making a run early in the second as the Golden Bears built a 29-23 lead with a dunk from Rogers followed by Hastings' soaring putback of a missed shot.

But Palo Duro quickly closed the gap when Johnson nailed a pull-up 3-pointer and followed with a twisting

layup that tied it at 29.

South Oak Cliff finally started to pull away late in the third. Arthur dunked and Kendrake Johnigan hit a 3-pointer. Johnigan followed it with a dazzling spin in the lane he used to blow past three defenders before floating an arcing layup that dropped in.

Rogers then displayed the kind of athleticism that ultimately was the difference in the game. Anxious for another dunk, he missed a tomahawk jam, got his own rebound and missed another dunk. But he kept the ball alive and two missed tips later finally got it to fall for a 47-41 lead.

That's when things started to really open up. South Oak Cliff kept up its quick pace and built a 58-46 lead. With Palo Duro pressing to score, South Oak Cliff started turning the misses into fast breaks and chances for highlight film dunks.

Linescore

Dallas South Oak Cliff (31-7)

Rogers 9-16 1-2 19, Hastings 7-9 3-4 17, Arthur 5-11 1-2 11, Johnigan 4-9 0-0 9, Price 3-8 0-0 8, Spicer 2-3 0-0 4, Smyth 2-2 0-0 4, Gipson 0-2 2-2 2, Jefflo 1-1 0-1 2, Fields 0-0 0-0 0, Moore 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 33-61 7-11 76.

Amarillo Palo Duro (29-4)

Johnson 7-14 4-5 20, Mason 7-17 4-5 19, Butler 3-5 1-2 7, Evans 3-4 0-0 6, Shaw 1-9 1-2 3, Burns 1-4 0-0 2, Byrd 0-1 0-0 0, Monroe 0-0 0-0 0, Washington 0-0 0-2 0. Totals 22-54 10-16 57.

Dallas South Oak Cliff	13	19	20	24	—	76
Amarillo Palo Duro	15	16	14	12	—	57

3-point goals—Dallas South Oak Cliff 3-9 (Price 2-7, Johnigan 1-2), Amarillo Palo Duro 3-14 (Johnson 2-4, Mason 1-4, Shaw 0-5, Byrd 0-1). Fouled out—Dallas South Oak Cliff None, Amarillo Palo Duro None. Rebounds—Dallas South Oak Cliff 39 (Rogers 12), Amarillo Palo Duro 29 (Johnson 9). Assists—Dallas South Oak Cliff 20 (Gipson 5), Amarillo Palo Duro 8 (Shaw 3). Total fouls—Dallas South Oak Cliff 18, Amarillo Palo Duro 14. A—12,423.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, March 12, 2005:

This year you have the drive and support to achieve many of your long-term goals. A male friend could play a substantial role in these events. You are more driven than you realize. Sometimes your creativity might not be up to snuff. Network and ask for feedback as often as you need to. Your effectiveness will be highlighted as a result. Use your strong drive and endurance positively. If you are single, you might feel pushed, or you might push harder than you realize, in interpersonal exchanges. Setting boundaries could be instrumental in developing a good relationship. If you are attached, often you give too much, and other times not enough. Take inventory together, eyeing key desires. ARIES impacts your finances.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You swing between feeling restricted and wanting to break all restraints. If you are out of kilter, you have no idea how unpredictable others might be. Avoid trying to control, and center on solo activities. Tonight: Meet a friend halfway.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★ Though you might want to fly solo or keep to yourself, others have a way of upsetting your solitude. You could find some unusually controversial messages heading in your direction. You suddenly find yourself in the midst of turmoil. Tonight: Do your best to mellow out. Tomorrow is another day.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Friends have a way of upset-

ting the apple cart. Perhaps at the same time you are realizing that you might not have the financial strength you would like in order to keep up with your activities. This situation needs to be temporary only. Tonight: Let go of stress. Go for spontaneity.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★ Your grumbling or dissatisfaction might be coming through despite yourself. The end results could be disruptive to others, especially those who can impact your life. Take responsibility for your share of a problem. Tonight: Soothe the soul and relax the mind. Go to a concert or movie.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Knowing when to say "enough" can mark the quality of your day. Frustration could make you a bit hyper; use this nervous energy to clear out a project or two. Don't forget someone at a distance. He or she will be delighted to hear from you. Tonight: Follow the music.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ A partner wants to relate more intensely, but your obligations could put a downer on his or her plans. A friend could be difficult, obstructing you from doing what you would like most. Follow your passions. Tonight: A special outing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★ No matter which way you turn, obligations and responsibilities knock on your door. You might be in a maze of frustrations and demands. Instead of reacting, just jump over obstacles. An invitation might be most appealing. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ A hobby or fun project could help you escape from a hassle that keeps emerging. You aren't getting the whole picture, and you won't until you

distance yourself from the situation. Use care with machinery and driving. You could be distracted. Tonight: Easy does it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ A risk could backfire. On some level, you are angry, as someone doesn't come through for you. You have come to depend on this person more than you realize. Mend bridges rather than burn them down. Tonight: Add an element of fun.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ How you present yourself could reflect your anger. Some Goats might adapt passive-aggressive behavior; others could be downright angry. Observe a tendency to give too much of yourself lately. Tonight: Quiet at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Keep conversations going rather than internalize your anger or frustration. You will find a way to let others know that you are tired of certain patterns. Fatigue also could play into potential crankiness. Tonight: Hang with favorite people at favorite places.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Friends could push you, or you might be pressuring yourself. You might choose to spend money in order to enjoy yourself or achieve a long-term goal. A child or loved one could be remote. He or she will only change when ready. Tonight: Treat time.

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Actress, singer Liza Minnelli (1946), musician James Taylor (1948), writer Jack Kerouac (1922)

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ASTROS NAME STARTER

Oswalt to take mound in opener

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — Roy Oswalt was chosen as the Houston Astros' opening-day starter for the third straight year, a minor upset pick over seven-time Cy Young Award winner Roger Clemens.

Oswalt, the NL's only 20-game winner in 2004, will be on the mound when the Astros open the season at home against St. Louis on April 5. Andy Pettitte, Clemens and Brandon Backe will follow Oswalt in the Astros' rotation, with a fifth starter to be chosen later in spring training.

"It's an honor for sure," Oswalt said Friday. "It doesn't matter whether you pitch first or last ... you've got to perform when you get out there."

Oswalt, Pettitte and Clemens also were the Astros' top three starters at the beginning of the 2004 season.

Astros manager Phil Garner said he decided to stick with last year's rotation because he liked having a left-hander like Pettitte to stick between two hard-throwing right-handers like Oswalt and Clemens.

Pettitte, 32, is trying to rebound from an injury-plagued season that included three trips to the disabled list

because of elbow problems. He is scheduled to make his spring debut for Houston against Cleveland on Saturday, the first time he'll

'It's an honor for sure. It doesn't matter whether you pitch first or last ... you've got to perform when you get out there.'

— Roy Oswalt
Pitcher, Houston Astros

face opposing batters since having season-ending surgery in August.

"I'm very comfortable that he's going to be OK," Garner said. "We'll continue to have setbacks here and there ... but that's the nature of the beast. When you come back from this, you're going to have good days and you're going to have days that you're going to struggle."

Clemens will begin his 22nd major league season in the Astros' third spot for the second straight year. His first start will come against Cincinnati on April 8. Clemens, 42, was thought to be a favorite for the top spot since he went 18-4 with a 2.98 ERA over 33 starts last year, winning his first NL Cy Young. He's made 13 opening-day starts in his career.

"I like Clemens in the middle of the lineup," Garner said. "It's pretty flattering to have a seven-time Cy Young guy that's actually your No. 1 starter pitching in the third slot."

Backe has made only nine regular-season starts in the majors, all after being called up from Triple A New Orleans in August. He went on to make three postseason starts, including a scoreless eight-inning start in Game 5 of the NL championship series against St. Louis.

The Astros are trying to choose the fifth starter from a group of pitchers that includes last year's No. 5 starter Tim Lincecum, Pete Munro, Carlos Hernandez, Dave Burba and top prospect Ezequiel Astacio.

Schilling plans to attend hearing; Jose Canseco asks for immunity

NEW YORK (AP) — Curt Schilling plans to attend next week's congressional hearing on steroid use in baseball, becoming the first current player to agree to testify before the panel.

Speaking at Boston's spring training camp in Fort Myers, Fla., the Red Sox ace said Friday that he has "nothing" to offer the panel.

"I'm still real confused as to why I was put in this group and why there are others players that aren't in this group," Schilling said.

The commissioner's office has said it will fight the subpoenas, which also were issued to Jason Giambi, Sammy Sosa, Frank Thomas and Rafael Palmeiro. Former players Jose Canseco and Mark McGwire also were summoned for the March 17 hearing of House Government Reform Committee along with three management officials and union head Donald Fehr.

Canseco asked Thursday for immunity if he's to testify fully before the committee, but a spokesman for the lawmaker who will chair the proceeding offered no promises.

Another House panel on Thursday held the first of what it said could be a series of hearings on the subject, with several congressmen chastising baseball for what one called its "extremely weak" drug-testing program. The subcommittee chairman said all major U.S. sports leagues should work toward uniform steroid penalties.

"I don't think it's grandstanding," New York Yankees player representative Mike Mussina said. "I think in light of what's happened the last year or so maybe, people are looking for some answers. The public wants to get some answers, so they're try-

ing to find some answers."

Canseco, the 1988 AL MVP, has admitted using performance-enhancing drugs and his best-selling book accuses several stars of steroid use.

"We've asked for immunity," said Canseco's lawyer, Robert Saunooke. "We hope they give it to us. We're still going to show up even if we have no immunity and offer whatever testimony we can that does not expose Jose to legal liability."

David Marin, a spokesman for committee chairman Tom Davis, said: "At this point, there are no plans to offer immunity to any witness."

Henry Waxman, the committee's ranking Democrat, said he would not be opposed to immunity. He sees the hearing as a chance to find out about the role of steroids in the majors and to address the effect on young athletes, not to expose whether individual players used the drugs.

"With all the reports we've had in the past decade — major league baseball has refused to investigate," Waxman said. "Now with the great interest in the subject because of Jose Canseco's book, and people who said they did and did not use steroids, it's brought things to a head."

Players were in the process of hiring lawyers and deciding whether to act jointly or individually.

"It's been crazy, no doubt about it," Giambi said. "It's a big story right now. You knew it was going to kind of come to this after everything that's went down."

McGwire's spokesman, Marc Altieri, said his client hasn't decided whether to appear. Thomas, at spring training in Arizona, said: "If it happens, I'll go. It's not a problem."

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IS your House or Foundation Settling? Cracks in bricks or walls? Door won't close? Call Childers Brothers, Inc. Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563 Amarillo.

14n Painting

INT./EXT. painting, mud tape, 35 yr. exp. References. Call Gene Calder 665-4840.

14s Plumbing/Heat

JACK'S Plumbing & Faucet Shop, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115- faucets, plumbing supplies, new constr., repair, remodeling, sewer / drain cleaning, septic systems installed. Visa/MC

Larry Baker Plumbing

Heating/Air Conditioning Borger Hwy. 665-4392

21 Help Wanted

NOTICE
Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

Fun Valley Family Resort. South Fork Colo. Needs retirees w/ own RV for all types of jobs. Office, house keeping, cooks, maintenance & RV parks. For info & application. Write to Personnel Director, 9010 Ravenswood Granbury Tx. 76049

Summer Employment

Fun Valley Family Resort. South Fork Colo. Needs students to work all types of jobs. kitchen, dining room, house keeping, stores, maintenance, horse wrangler & office salary. Room, Board, Bonus. For info. & appl. Write to Personnel Director, 9010 Ravenswood, Granbury Tx. 76049

COOKS needed. No experience necessary. Apply in person at the Dixie Cafe. No phone calls.

JOHNSON Home Furnishings Is Now Taking Applications. Apply At 801 W. Francis St.

HOSTESSES & Waitresses needed. Waitresses must be 18. Apply in person, Dyer's BBQ.

KITCHEN help needed. Must be able to work some mornings and some evenings. Dyer's BBQ.

CNAs

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS on all shifts. Must be TEXAS State Certified! Competitive rates & benefits for full time employees. EOE. For more information, call (806) 665-5746, or apply in person at CORONADO HEALTHCARE CENTER, 1504 W. Kentucky Ave., Pampa.

SIVALLS, Inc. is looking for welder-fabricators and a paint test service technician. Welding and drug tests req. Benefits: health ins., profit sharing, 401K, 8 paid holidays and 10 days vacation per year. 806-665-7111, Pampa.

21 Help Wanted

CALDWELL Prod.-Exp. Pulling Unit Operator. \$12 hr. for top operator. Top pay for exp. floorhands. 6 pd. holidays & 1 week pd. vacation per yr. Steady work. Apply 2 mi. W. on Hwy 60, 665-8888.

THERAPIST TECHNICIAN I FIR / PAMPA

\$7.26 per hour/ Full-time and Part-time position avail.

Texas Panhandle MHMR is in need of applicants who have a high school diploma / GED, a Texas Drivers License, experience working with individuals in therapeutic activities and would be interested in assisting persons with mental retardation in day program and residential settings. Qualifications: High school diploma or GED plus some experience in recreation, vocational, physical and occupational therapy, speech, hearing and audiology. Must have a minimum of eighth grade reading-comprehension level as evidenced by score on the Adult Basic Learning Examination (ABLE) test. Must have a valid Texas driver's license and be insurable under the agency vehicle policy. Apply at

TPMHMR 901 Wallace Amarillo, Tx. 79106 806-358-1681 An Equal Opportunity Employer

Immediate Opening

1 or 2 Sales Professionals Needed Male or Female Welcome!
Join one of the fastest growing dealerships around. We're looking for motivated, goal oriented individuals with a positive sales attitude. You will get out of it what you put into it. Sell from seven different franchises as well as quality inspected used vehicles. 401K, health insurance, paid vacation. Great atmosphere with excellent advancement opportunity. Make the move to a growing professional organization.
Call 800-374-5584 Steve Hood Jeff Tucker Income Guaranteed

THERAPIST TECHNICIAN I ASCI / PAMPA

\$7.26 / hr. with generous benefit package
Supervision of contracts with assigned deadlines and general production. Shares in workshop vocational and day programming responsibilities and training. Must follow daily schedule for documentation of assigned caseload. Qualifications: High school diploma or GED plus some experience in recreation, vocational, physical or occupational therapy, speech, hearing and audiology. Minimum of eighth grade reading-comprehension level as evidenced by score on the Adult Basic Learning Exam (ABLE) test. Must have a valid Texas driver's license and be insurable under the agency vehicle policy. Preferred: Experience working with non-verbal clients and meet the physical demands of this job. Professional appearance and positive in work relationship with consumers, supervisors and co-workers.
Please apply at: Texas Panhandle MHMR 901 Wallace Amarillo, TX 79106 806-358-1681 An Equal Opportunity Employer

50 Building Suppl.

White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

HOUSTON LUMBER

420 W. Foster 669-6881

60 Household

NEW Name Brand, Mattress Sets, Plush Pillow Top, & Memory Foam 1 yr.-20 yr. warr. All sizes, 40%-60% off Retail. 806-677-0400

CRUDE OIL

Mission Petroleum Carriers
Pampa Area Hauling Long Term Career Positions Home Daily Great Benefits Top Wages Paid Weekly 1-800-737-9911 Ext. 200

21 Help Wanted

D.E. CHASE, INC. 1445 S. Barnes Pampa, Tx. **TRUCK DRIVERS WANTED**
6 days on / 2 days off Medical & Dental Ins. Uniforms Monthly Safety Bonus
Requirements: CLASS A CDL DOT Physical DOT Drug Screen HAZMAT Endorsement Apply in person **NO PHONE CALLS!**

Maintenance Position

Looking to hire 1 person. You must have heavy equipment exp. and some lawn care exp. Please apply in person at Memory Gardens Cemetery, 23rd & Price Rd., Pampa.

NURSE: RN WEEK-ENDS ONLY. Must have TEXAS State license. Competitive rates! EOE. Call (806)665-5746 or apply in person at CORONADO HEALTHCARE CENTER, 1504 W. Kentucky Ave., Pampa.

Wanted yards to take care of this summer.

10 years experience. Call 665-5725 after 6pm.

INEW 255 75 R16. General Tire Mounted on Ford Rim. Call 665-5419.

HEARING AIDS. Want to buy hearing aids that fit in the ear canal. Call 665-5137.

ELEC. WHEELCHAIR, like new, used 7 mo. \$2000 obo. 669-9248 leave message.

FOR Sale. Chevy Topper, Fits '82-'92 Model Pickup. \$500 Firm. Call 665-9256.

TL Sprinkler System. Towable. You move. \$6500. "As Is" "Where Is" 1-800-804-7110.

CRYO treat your lawnmower blades. Will increase blade life, reduce re-sharpening. Call Pete 662-1211.

69a Garage Sales

ESTATE SALE Sat. 8 am. Sun. 1pm. 1600 N. Dwight. Sectional Sofa, couch, recliners, chairs, dining table, hutch, mirrors, figurines, anti. wash stand, deep freeze, refrigerator, tools, dishes, garden tools. Battery powered clock works with numbers & hands. Lots of stuff. Too much to mention. **NO Early Birds!**

62 Medical Equip

HOSPITAL bed w/ extension for tall person. All electric. Call 665-1570, or 669-7749.

69a Garage Sales

MARCH Madness; Books 1/2 Price. Booth 37. Raggedy Andy, 2218 Perryton Pkwy. Join Us!
MOVING Sale: Sat. only 9a.m.-2p.m. Lots of household items. Twin beds, qu. sleeper-sofa. 2704 Aspen.
2605 Rosewood, Sat. Mar. 12th, 7 a.m.-7 Clothes, furniture, baby items, refrigerator.
STORAGE/SPRING Cleaning Sale. Fri. 12-6 & Sat. 10-6. 541 Huff Rd. Lots of Good Stuff!!
INSIDE 914 N. Somerville, Fri. 8-7 Sat. 8-noon. Nice ladies clothes sz. 10, 12, 14. Big variety of things. Bargains.
2 Family Garage Sale 112 W. 26th st. Sat. 7 a.m.
LARGE Garage Sale, 1821 Lea, Fri. 8-5 pm., Sat 8-2 pm. Furniture, tools, lots of nice stuff.
MOVING SALE Sat. 8 a.m.-11 a.m. 125 E. 28th, Pampa Toys & Home Decor.
MOVING. 514 N. Faulkner. House full. Cash. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sat., Mar. 12th.
100'S of downtown store items. Movies, comics. No Early Birds. 1428 E. Browning, Sat. 10-5.
GARAGE Sale. Cole Creek-Hwy 70. 9 to 5, Fri. & Sat.
FREEDOM Christian Academy, 716 W. Foster (Old Karen's Kitchen), Garage & Bake Sale, Sat. Mar. 12th, 8:30 a.m.
GARAGE Sale. Baby Things. Clothes. Shoes. Toys, Etc. 736 N. Dwight. Sat. & Sun. 8-7
GARAGE Sale, Sat. 9-7 1230 Mary Ellen.
GAR. Sale: Sat., 1314 Charles, 8 a.m. Micro, framed art, Christmas deco, appliances, more!
YARD sale 1715 Hamilton Sat 8-2 toys, toddler girls clothes also 5-6 boys clothes, and misc
MULTI Family Sale. Books, furni., clothes, dishes, lots of misc. All priced to sell! Sat. & Sun. 9-6. 301 E. 9th, Lefors.
80 Pets & Suppl.
7 WK Old Full Blooded Mini. Dachshund. Inquiries Call 323-8516.
BLUE Heeler mix female adult dog. Free to good home. Call 665-5966.
95 Furn. Apts.
All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination." State law also forbids discrimination based on these factors. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

103 Homes For Sale

Twila Fisher Century 21 Pampa Realty 665-3560, 663-1442 669-0007
3 bedroom, 2 car gar., basement, new carpet & paint. Call 665-4842.
BY Owner. Very nice Duplex. 1014 & 1016 N. Dwight. Both sides, 3br., 2 ba., 2 car gar. \$120,000 OBO 664-3317, 662-9487

103 Homes For Sale

4 bdr., 1 3/4 ba., 1 car gar., sunroom, new carpet, paint, etc. Good location! 665-4842.
FOR Sale By Owner-4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, Austin school district. Call 665-5110.
NICE Brick, 3/2/2. Sunroom, cellar, huge master br. Newly remodeled. 665-1928 or 886-7443.
PRICE Reduced! Nice 4 bdr., 2 ba., fpl-den, dbl gar., new flooring. 1531 N. Nelson. 669-6546.
ROD DONALDSON AGENT 663-2800 Quentin Williams Realtors 669-2522
2134 CHESTNUT 3 bdr., 2 ba. MLS 6651
1919 N. NELSON 3 bdr., 1 ba. MLS 6664
PERRY & KENTUCKY ST. 2250 sq. ft. office bldg with greenhouse MLS 6647C
LOTS FOR SALE RABBIT LANE 5 Lots. MLS 6475L, 6615L
Your Listing Could Be Here!! Anyone can sell you a house, let me find you a home!!
105 Acreage
4.02 Acres, 1 mile West Price Rd., for sale. Call 665-3667.
106 Coml. Property
2222 Perryton Parkway. Vacant Commercial Lot. Price Reduced by 1/2. C-21 Realtor, 665-4180.
112 Farms/Ranches
Live Water on Sweet Water Creek 326 acres with big running water in Wheeler County, near Mobeetie, Tx. Highway frontage, historical site of old Ft. Elliot; absolutely beautiful big trees, abundant wildlife; deer, turkey, quail, dove and fishing. Hunter's paradise. Camping facilities with water and electricity. One of a kind, must see to appreciate. \$1250.00 per acre. Call 806-248-7224 806-676-6503 or evenings 806-354-0253
115 Trailer Parks
TUMBLEWEED Acres, Storm Shelters, fenced, stor. bldg, avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.
120 Autos
99 Ford Explorer Sport, 4x4, new tires, 55,000 miles. Exc. cond. \$9000 obo. 664-0702, 665-8836.
1988 Pontiac SSE Bonneville, 4D, new tires, battery. Runs great, cool car! First \$2495. 665-4816.
121 Tru-
1990 GMC 3/4 ton. 4 Speed, am/fm, a/c, 4 speed, 350 engine. White House Lumber, 669-3291.
6500 gallon Fruehauf tanker. New brakes, good tires, road ready, 6 comp., 806-874-3434, 673-1348.
122 Motorcycles
2003 Yamaha V-Star Classic, very nice, \$4800. Call 440-1640, 440-1216.

5 Special Notices

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

10 Lost/Found

FOUND Chihuahua mix male dog. Black & brown, white on chest, on Tignor st. 665-6143.

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

3-11 CRYPTOQUOTE

P E G E W D P D G S P C L S F D
H N G H D Z G D U R K Z L S A K S Y
S Y D N T T N Z S C G K S M R N Z
E U D H D G S Q K J K G W. — Y C W Y
H N P D Z

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: A KIND HEART IS A FOUNTAIN OF GLADNESS, MAKING EVERYTHING IN ITS VICINITY FRESHEN INTO SMILES. — WASHINGTON IRVING

EVERY DAY FENTON MOTORS OF PAMPA CLOBBERS BIG CITY PRICES!



Fenton Motors of Pampa
101-123 North Hobart • Pampa, Texas

2005 Dodge Dakota QuadCab \$23,340 MSRP - 2,000 Rebate - 1,000 CFC Bonus - 1,614 Fenton Disc \$18726 Drive Away!	2005 Dodge 1500 QuadCab SXT \$27,960 MSRP - 3,000 Rebate - 1,000 CFC Bonus - 2,785 Fenton Disc \$21175 To Own It!	2005 Ford Ranger Edge MSRP \$18,285 Sale \$13,999 36 Month Best Capital Offer, \$1,000 Down and 11.99% Equal Payments on 36 month term. \$1,000 cash payment at 36 mos. Mile = 6.0% MSRP. #2PANC067	2005 Ford F350 4x4 Superduty XLT Comes With Milwaukee Tool Set From Ford! Save \$7000 Off MSRP! #SEC0446
2005 Dodge Magnum \$24,735 MSRP - 1,000 CFC Bonus - 1,550 Fenton Disc \$22175 Sale Price!	2005 Jeep Wrangler \$23,180 MSRP - 750 Rebate - 1,000 CFC Bonus - 890 Fenton Disc \$20540 It's Yours!	2004 Ford Thunderbird Pacific Coast Roadster - Only 1,000 Made! Save \$8000 Off MSRP! #501220	2005 Ford 500 \$20988 And Park It In Your Garage!

The Finest Used Cars Are Always Found Where The Finest New Cars Are Sold!

2005 Mercury Sable Only 17K Miles \$22175	2005 GMC Yukon Only 19K Miles \$27888	2002 Ford Explorer America's SUV \$12988	2000 Ford F150 SuperCab \$8988	Harry's Pick! 2005 Nissan Altima 3 To Choose Remaining Warranty! \$15888	2005 Dodge Grand Caravan \$14950	2004 Chevy Tahoe Only 29K Miles \$25950	2003 Dodge Grand Caravan \$12988	2004 Mercury Mountaineer \$23240
2004 Ford Taurus SE Program Sedan \$10988	2004 Chevy Cavalier Economy Plus Looks! \$8988	2001 Ford Sportrac Really Nice \$12988	2002 Chevy Suburban Low, Low Miles On This One \$21240	2005 Chrysler 300 Oh Yes! Warranty Too! \$21650	2005 Ford Taurus None Nicier - Lo Miles \$15430	2004 Ford F150 SuperCrew XLT \$21450	2002 Dodge D3500 Flatbed Diesel Dually \$19240	

COME ON IN AND SAVE ON FORD LINCOLN MERCURY DODGE CHRYSLER JEEP!

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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a happily married man, raising two daughters, ages 12 and 15.

A friend I have known for 20 years, "Kevin," has become a little too friendly toward our 15-year-old, "Amanda." He has been giving Amanda money for doing nothing. The first time, he gave her \$300 and told her not to tell her mother or me. Of course, our daughter told us anyway. When we confronted Kevin, he said he felt sorry for Amanda and she was supposed to baby-sit to pay back the loan, so we allowed her to keep the money to buy clothes with.

A few weeks after that, Kevin gave Amanda \$200 for letting him cut her long blond hair so he could sell it on the Internet. Needless to say, her mother and I were very upset. But instead of confronting him again, we just gave Kevin the cold shoulder, hoping he'd get the message and go away.

About a month later, he snuck into our home while my wife and I were out and installed a satellite box in Amanda's room. When we discovered the box, we asked Amanda where it came from, and she said Kevin. I looked at the programming on the box. It had been rigged with free pay and pornography channels. We were very upset. We removed the box, gave it back to our ex-friend and ordered him never to come around our kids again. Do you think we did enough? We don't want to overreact. — UNSURE IN WASHINGTON

DEAR UNSURE: One of the things pedophiles do with potential victims is something called "grooming." They befriend the young person, give him or her gifts or money, encourage the minor to keep secrets from their parents, and then the seduction begins. That's what the "free" porn channel in your daughter's bedroom was for.

You did not do nearly enough in dealing with this predator. Although you may have discouraged him from targeting Amanda, what about other young girls in your community? Please contact your local police immediately, and tell the detec-

tives in the sex crimes division what you have written to me. I give you my word, they won't think you are overreacting.

DEAR ABBY: My daughter came home from school the other day with bruises on her body. When I asked her how she got them, she told me a little boy beat her up at recess. I went to the school to talk with her teacher, but nothing was done, and my daughter came home with another bruise yesterday. What should I do? — WORRIED MOM IN THOMASVILLE, GA.

DEAR WORRIED: Your child has a right to get an education, free from bullying or harassment. Since talking to the teacher didn't help, here's the drill: Take your complaint to the principal of the school. If that doesn't stop the problem, go to the school board. If they fail to act, consult a lawyer.

DEAR ABBY: I just found out that I'm pregnant, and I'm thrilled. I'm being married in September -- and that's the problem. At the time my wedding is scheduled, I'll be nine months' pregnant.

The day we're being married has special significance to my fiancé. I don't know how to tell him I don't want to waddle down the aisle. I have told him about the baby, but I don't know how to bring up changing the date of the wedding. I don't want to ruin it for him -- but I don't know if I can handle a formal wedding when I'm about to pop.

Am I being selfish, or would it be a good idea to ask him to change the date? — SCARED IN OREGON

DEAR SCARED: For heaven's sake, speak up. To do so is not selfish; it's practical. Ask your fiancé to count to nine, and remember that babies don't always arrive exactly on time -- sometimes they decide to come early. When you're standing at the altar exchanging your vows, you should not have to worry about your water breaking.

For Better Or Worse



Zits



Garfield



Beetle Bailey



Marvin

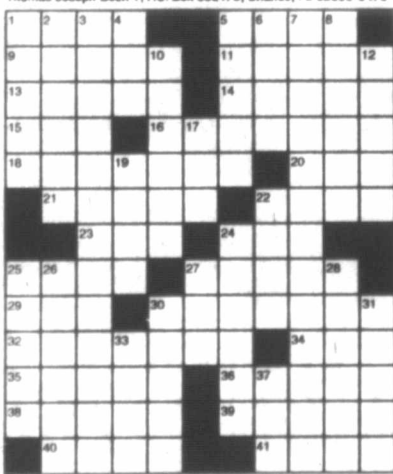


Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 38 Passion
 - 39 Said further
 - 40 Spot
 - 5 HMO
 - 9 Nebraska city
 - 11 "—" for the Misbegotten
 - 13 Class jottings
 - 14 Biathlon need
 - 15 Table scrap
 - 16 Seek
 - 18 Socks
 - 20 Conclude
 - 21 Lewd looks
 - 22 Staying power
 - 23 "Golly!"
 - 24 Plead
 - 25 Train makeup
 - 27 County events
 - 29 Bustle
 - 30 Like rpany a hole
 - 32 Loud dispute
 - 34 French article
 - 35 Bocelli, for one
 - 36 Shampoo-bottle verb
- DOWN**
- 1 As of this time
 - 2 Unconcerned
 - 3 Areas of conflict
 - 4 Yonder
 - 5 Fixes
 - 6 Skip
 - 7 Brewing waste
 - 8 "Ciao!"
 - 10 On the beach
 - 12 Bookish group
 - 17 High times
 - 19 Sediment
 - 22 Eric's son
 - 24 "Yentl" name
 - 25 Magna — users
 - 26 Stick
 - 27 Remote
 - 28 Western sight
 - 30 Fend off
 - 31 Oboe parts
 - 33 Betty of the comics
 - 37 Check users' needs



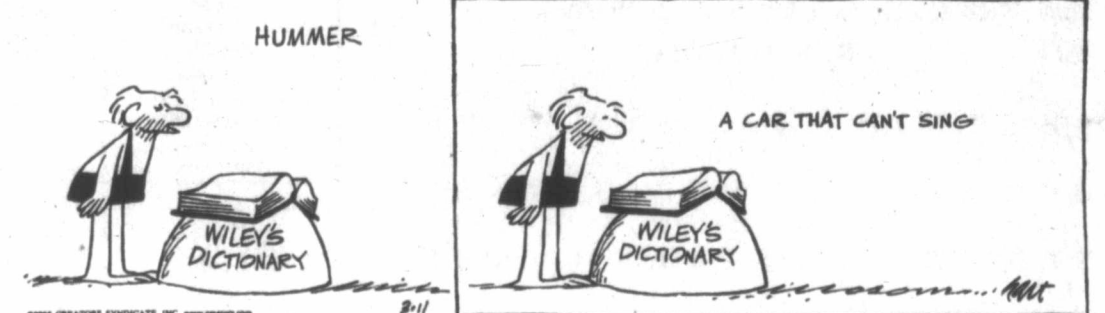
Marmaduke



The Family Circus



B.C.



Haggar The Horrible



Peanuts



Flo & Friends



Blondie

